GOVERNMENTOF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1091 ANSWERED ON 28.07.2023

PROPOSAL TO DEVELOP RAILWAY STANTIONS AS PER INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS

1091# SHRI RAJENDRA GEHLOT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is considering to develop railway stations across the country as per international standards, especially in the State of Rajasthan and the adjoining States of Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Haryana, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Railway Stations in these three states have been identified for upgradation, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of Railway Stations that have been upgraded as per international standards in each year during the last three years in the country, the details thereof, State-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1091 BY SHRI RAJENDRA GEHLOT ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 28.07.2023REGARDING PROPOSAL TO DEVELOP RAILWAY STATIONS AS PER INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS

(a) to(c):Ministry of Railways has launched 'Amrit Bharat Station Scheme for development of Stations on Indian Railways. This scheme envisages development of stations on a continuous basis with a long term approach. The scheme involves preparation of Master Plans and their implementation in phases to improve the amenities at the stations like improvement of station access, circulating areas, waiting halls, toilets, lift/escalators as necessary, cleanliness, free WiFi, kiosks for local products through schemes like 'One Station One Product', better passenger information systems, executive lounges, nominated spaces for business meetings, landscaping etc. keepingin view the necessity at each such station.

The scheme also envisages improvement of building, integrating the station with both sides of the city, multimodal integration, amenities for 'Divyangjans' sustainable and environment friendly solutions, provision of ballast less tracks, 'Roof Plazas' as per necessity phasing and feasibility and creation of city centres at the station in the long term.

So far, 1309 railway stations have been identified under this scheme including 83number of stations in the State of Rajasthan, 87 number of stations in the State of Gujarat, 80 number of stations in the State of Madhya Pradesh and 34 number of stations in the State of Haryana.

Three railway stations viz. Rani Kamalapati Railway Station in the State of Madhya Pradesh and Gandhinagar Capital Railway Station in the State of Gujarat have been developed & commissioned in 2021 and Sir M. Visvesvaraya Terminal in the State of Karnataka has been commissioned in 2022.
